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Citizens encouraged to provide feedback... COUNTY TO REVIEW SUBDIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

FREDERICK, MD -- The Frederick County Community Development Division has initiated a review of the county's <u>Subdivision Rules and Regulations</u> as a result of feedback from the business and development community and other stakeholders. The county invites citizen feedback in order to get a complete understanding of the issues prior to developing recommended changes.

Review of the regulations has been included as an issue and opportunity to be addressed in the county's <u>Business Friendly Action Items</u> list and generally fits in with the various goals and objectives identified in the county's proposed <u>Strategic Plan</u>.

The regulations are codified in Chapter 1-16 of the County Code and they provide the procedures for the division of land and assist in the land development process to ensure conformance with the County Comprehensive Plan.

Comments received to date indicate a review is needed to simplify and streamline regulations and to reduce regulatory barriers.

Comments may be provided to Principal Environmental Planner Michael Wilkins, Community Development Division, 30 North Market Street, Frederick MD 21701 or via e-mail to mwilkins@FrederickCountyMD.gov.

A concise summary of each issue should be submitted, and any background and justification statements or proposed language is encouraged. The deadline to provide comments is <u>Friday</u>, <u>September 30</u>, <u>2011 at 4:00 p.m.</u>

The division will hold meetings before making recommendations to the Frederick Board of County Commissioners in the next few months.

For additional information, contact Mr. Wilkins at 301-600-2329 or Director Gary Hessong, Permits & Inspections Department, at 301-600-1172 or via e-mail at ghessong@FrederickCountyMD.gov.